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**A RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1631**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Confirmation No. 5823
Susheng GAN, et al. : Customer No. 20277
Serial No.: 09/973,945 : Group Art Unit: 1631
Filed: October 11, 2001 : Examiner: Ly, Cheyne D.
For: GENETIC INSULATOR FOR PREVENTING INFLUENCE BY ANOTHER GENE
PROMOTER

AMENDMENT AND REPLY AFTER FINAL REJECTION

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on September 1, 2004, kindly amend the above-captioned patent application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.